

Benzie Sportsman's Club

Newsletter



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Members

Remember to have your guests sign our liability waiver. Please place it in the back of the sign-in logbook.

SHOOTING HOURS

10:00 AM til DUSK



Hunter Ed

August 6th & 7th

March 2022

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BSC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

03/14/2022

325----- Annual Members

24 -----Life Members

10 -----Guest (1), Honorary (6), Police (3)

359----- Total Members



Concealed Pistol License Class

April 23, 2022

Contact Deb McGraw

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President's Column

As we enter the spring of the year, I need to make you aware of the changing conditions of the roads and parking areas around the club. As the weather warms and the snow melts it is making for extremely icy conditions just about everywhere on the club grounds. Please be careful walking around out there. The conditions change daily. We even had to close one day because it was just too dangerous.

We will be having a spring cleanup day sometime in April. We will post it on the calendar when we set a date certain. It entails cleaning up all the ranges, the club grounds, as well as the inside of the clubhouse. Please give us as much time as you can spare. Even an hour is helpful. We can never have too much help - usually it's just the opposite.

Our club activities are being planned so watch the calendar for the upcoming months and consider coming out to join in the camaraderie and some healthy competition.

Deb



We're not the only ones who use our grounds - pretty, aren't they?

Let's welcome a new member!

William (Bill) Wilkinson

Coming Soon

May 14th Clean-up Day

May 15th Open House

Pistol Range

Work on the pistol range is going slow mainly because it's been so slippery. Just carrying supplies into the building has been treacherous. But, with spring just around the corner our pace will improve.



We have finished painting the interior.

We are building the cabinets / loading bench along the wall separating the storage area and the main room. Basically, in the same place as the old bench was.

And as soon as the weather warms enough to melt the remaining snow, we will get the gates built.

Jerry

Rifle Range

The rifle range is in good shape. Thanks everyone. See you in the Spring!

Paul

Burning a collection of old building materials is getting to be an annual event



Muzzleloaders

We had a great turnout for the third annual Frostbite Shoot.



A total of 14 shooters showed up for the muzzleloader shoot. The weather was cold, sunny, a bit windy but dry. Top scorers were as follows:

- 1st Todd Gomah
- 2nd Dan VanHaften
- 3rd Pat Foster
- 4th Mark Rice
- 5th Yvonne Cutler

The first-place trophy was a custom ceramic coffee mug. Second through fifth place winners received nice beads. Special thanks to Maggie VanHaften who did the scoring.

Here are some dates of upcoming events:

April 2: April Fools' Shoot

May 26-30: GT Rendezvous

August 26-28: Benzie Annual Rendezvous

On April 5th, our weekly Tuesday evening Summer Aggregate Shoots begin. Shooting starts at 6:00pm.

We haven't scheduled any Light Bench Rest Shoots yet; we'll wait to see if there is any interest.

See the calendar on the website for more events.

<http://www.benziesportsmansclub.com/>

Keep your powder dry and your whistle wet,

Dan VanHaften

We are having a memorial for Russel Signs April 30th at 1:00 pm. Russ was a long-time member and a great friend.

Shotgun

Winter just seems determined to hang on, we are however enjoying the weather and spending plenty of Wednesdays & Saturdays breaking clay birds. There is a good group of hardy souls that continue to brave the cold in order to get some trigger time in weekly. Come and join us we're having a blast.



I will be having a knee replaced next week and will be gone for a while, do not fear we will keep the range open, and things should go as normal. Connie will be your point of contact while I am gone, you can find her contact info on the board directory.

Hopefully spring is not too far away and we can get started setting up the clays course. With my recovery happening at the same time, I will need more help than ever when the snow clears. If you have some time to help leave your name and contact info with Jim Hooker and we will let you know when we start things moving. In the beginning leaf blowers are important, if you have one that you can bring let Jim know that, too.

Just a quick word about range safety. It is everybody's business that we stay safe. If you are shooting more than one gauge of shotgun, 12 or 20. Make sure that you put away the ammo for the one before you change to the other. Having 20-gauge ammo in your pocket while shooting a 12-gauge is an accident waiting to happen. If you see something say something. It is all right to stop shooting for a moment to be certain that all is safe. We strive to make sure that there are no mishaps.

Remember we are a club of volunteers, please clean up after yourselves, your mother is not here and there is not a maid service. There are magnets in the club house for those that shoot pumps & semis pick up and throw away your hulls. Also, we go home on Saturday when everyone is done shooting. If you are going to be late on Saturday afternoon, please give us a call to make sure that there is a range still open.

Mike

2022 Calendar

Today							March 2022		Print	Week	Month	Agenda	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat							
27 9am Club Bonfire	28	Mar 1	2 1pm Trap & Skeet	3	4	5 10am Shotgun Ranges	6 10am Shotgun Ranges	7 10am Shotgun Ranges	8 10am Shotgun Ranges	9 10am Shotgun Ranges	10 10am Shotgun Ranges	11 10am Shotgun Ranges	12 10am Shotgun Ranges
13 5:30pm Pot Luck 6pm Board Meeting	14	15 1pm Trap & Skeet	16 1pm Trap & Skeet	17	18 10am Shotgun Ranges	19 10am Shotgun Ranges	20 10am Shotgun Ranges	21 10am Shotgun Ranges	22 10am Shotgun Ranges	23 10am Shotgun Ranges	24 10am Shotgun Ranges	25 10am Shotgun Ranges	26 10am Shotgun Ranges
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